

# Give my Christmas to you!

THE WEATHER:  
Today—Fair, colder by night;  
Tomorrow, probably snow.  
Highest temperature yesterday—  
49; lowest, 35.

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### WILSON WILL REVIEW YANKS AT YULETIDE

President to Deliver Epochal Address at Ceremony in French City.

### PLAN GREAT PAGEANT

Real American Christmas to Be Given Soldiers After Exercise.

At American Field Headquarters, Chaumont, France, Dec. 24.—From a reviewing stand erected in the midst of a wheat field near the hamlet of Humes, three miles from Langres, President Wilson will deliver what is heralded as the most important address of his political career. There will be 10,000 American troops to pass in review before the President, General Pershing and General Bliss. The President's co-delegates to the Peace Conference may accompany him on the visit.

The President and his party on the visit to the front will cover the fifty-mile triangle formed by Chaumont, Langres and Montigny-le-Roi.

**Troops Build Pathway.**  
Engineers have been working day and night getting the roads into shape for the great military pageant. A duckboard pathway has been built into the field where the open reviewing stand has been built.

Rain has been so heavy during the past month that even should the weather be fine tomorrow the mud will be knee-deep everywhere off the paved road.

The troops to be reviewed comprise composite infantry battalions consisting of one company from each regiment in the First Army, which is made up of the Twenty-sixth, Eightieth and Eighty-second Divisions, as well as machine gun and engineering battalions, wire companies, artillery units and cavalry and tank contingents.

A rehearsal of the review took place tonight. The troops were brought up in motor trucks, the same which rushed American shock troops many hundreds of miles across France for the various offensives.

The troops to be reviewed carry two days' "iron rations" in their haversacks. They will return to their billets on Thursday. In the parade the men will wear steel helmets, carry their gas masks, haversacks, and full equipment.

The review will be finished by noon, when the President will motor to the headquarters of the Twenty-sixth Division.

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### Snow Stops Santa Claus In Mid-West

Chicago Streets Covered With Time-Honored Mantle, Four Inches Deep.

Chicago, Dec. 25.—The Middle West was in the grip of a regular Christmas snowstorm today. In many sections the storm approached blizzard proportions. Temperature ranging from zero to 20 above was predicted for Northwestern and Mississippi Valley States for Christmas Day.

Four inches of snow fell in Chicago during the night, breaking the snowless December record here. Surface street cars in parts of the city were stalled and suburban trains were late. A twenty-mile wind, increasing to a gale over Lake Michigan, was blowing. Storm whistles along the lake were blowing. Several persons were injured when a Santa Fe passenger train collided with a freight train outside of Chicago.

Illinois, Iowa, Michigan and Kansas and other States were blanketed with snow.

Denver, Dec. 24.—Santa Claus was blockaded south and east of here today by one of the heaviest snow storms in years. The Santa Fe, Union Pacific and Colorado and Southern lines reported train service completely stalled by snow drifts. On other lines more fortunately situated schedules are badly disrupted.

Blizzards in Kansas and the Texas Panhandle are responsible for delay in mail and Christmas presents.

### Hundreds Near Death When Flood Sweeps Town

Seattle, Wash., Dec. 24.—Damage estimated at more than a quarter of a million dollars was wrought by the breaking of the north bank of the Cedar River reservoir Monday. The Snoqualmie Valley was flooded and mills and residences swept away.

Hundreds of people living in Edgewick, a small town in the valley narrowly escaped death.

### WILSON LIKE CAESAR.

Rome Grants President Freedom of City; Wife Gets Medal.

Rome, Dec. 24.—Three thousand persons are expected to attend the official reception to President Wilson in the capitol building here.

The President will be given the freedom of the city. Mrs. Wilson will be presented with a gold replica of the Capitoline Wolf.

### TERMS TO HUNS WILL BE MAPPED ON LONDON VISIT

President and Lloyd George to Be the Deciding Factors.

### BRITISH ALL SATISFIED

Populace All Imbued with "Get Together Spirit." A Royal Welcome.

By WILLIAM J. BUTLER,  
Staff Correspondent of Universal Service.

### Special Cable Dispatch.

London, Dec. 24.—The correspondent has excellent authority for stating that the conference between President Wilson, Premier Lloyd George and other members of the British War Cabinet Friday is certain to clear up some differences of opinion which have arisen since the President's arrival in Europe, and that it will result in a definite Anglo-American agreement, on a plan of procedure, roughly as follows:

First: The peace terms to be imposed upon Germany will be outlined.

Second: Methods will be adopted to determine how Germany shall pay the war indemnities.

Third: Anglo-American co-operation in their naval policies.

The question of the return of the German colonies will be threshed out also. It is predicted an amicable agreement will be reached.

To Settle Pay Question.

Some apprehension prevailing in certain quarters, regarding President Wilson's reported lenient attitude toward the question of making the Germans pay for the war to the full limit of their capacity are expected to be cleared up at the conference.

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### ROBBERS LOOT JEWELRY STORE

Bandits Bind and Gag Proprietor; Get Away with \$15,000.

Chicago, Dec. 24.—While Christmas thousands passed by, four men today looted the jewelry store of two diamond brokers, Mose Iralson and James E. Harrison, and escaped with jewels of all kinds valued at from \$100,000 to \$125,000. The robbery took place in a building overlooking the busiest corner in the world. State and Madison streets. Iralson was alone in the office with a customer. They were examining a diamond brooch. Suddenly came the command "Hands up!" Four bandits had entered the office unnoticed.

The jeweler and the customer were bound, gagged and thrust behind a counter.

From Iralson's inside pocket the bandits took two wallets containing uncut diamonds and from one of his fingers a Masonic ring valued at \$450. Then they swept through the office, taking everything of value.

### Fight With Watchman.

As the bandits left the jeweler's they passed down a stairway that goes through the lobby of the Chicago Savings Bank and Trust Company.

Herrmann Henneman, special policeman for the bank, thought the men looked suspicious. He called to them. They made no reply. One leaped from the stairway and grappled with the watchman. Henneman knocked a revolver from the bandit's hand. As he did so the man fled after his companions. Henneman fired, and believes he wounded one man. The bandit stumbled but was lost in the hurrying crowd.

Every available detective and policeman in the city immediately was put on the case. Scores of underworld haunts have been raided, so far without success.

The robbery recalls that of the Heller-Rose Company, jewelers, last January, when \$250,000 worth of jewels were taken. The Heller-Rose bandits eventually were captured.

### DELEGATES OPPOSE SINKING HUN SHIPS

Secretary Lansing Says Matter Has Not Even Been Considered.

Paris, Dec. 23 (Delayed).—The American peace delegation today issued an official denial of the report that it has gone on record as favoring or has decided to favor the sinking of the surrendered German fleet. Secretary Lansing says:

"You can say there has been no discussion of the subject. We have not even considered it."

During the present week the American delegates will hold many meetings among themselves. They will also familiarize themselves with the mass of data needed at the opening conference.

### Mr. Wilson to Ride With British Monarch

London, Dec. 24.—President Wilson will ride from Charing Cross Station to Buckingham Palace, in the state carriage, with King George. It was announced today.

Mrs. Wilson will ride with Queen Mary. The Royal Life Guards, which form a guard of honor on all state occasions, will constitute the escort.

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—Hal Hurst, in The Tattler.

"...Of Such Is the Kingdom of Heaven."

### BALTIC PORTS THREATENED.

Bolshevik Army of Four Divisions Advancing Toward Coast.

Amsterdam, Dec. 24.—Riga and Mitau, the principal cities of Russian Courland, are threatened by the Bolshevik advance, according to advices from Lithuania today. Bolshevik forces number at least four divisions.

### Will Feed 1,000 Seamen.

New York, Dec. 24.—One thousand Christmas dinners will be served to merchant seamen tomorrow by the Seamen's Church Institute of New York, the largest institution of its kind in the world.

Approximately 1,500 gifts provided by people from all over the United States will also be presented to the seamen by the institute.

### Endorse People's Council.

Berlin, Dec. 25.—(Delayed).—All military officials have agreed to endorse the People's Council. It was announced today.

### French Army Across Rhine.

Amsterdam, Dec. 24.—The French have occupied the right bank of the Rhine and Ems rivers, says a dispatch today from Coblenz.

### KAISERIN NOT SERIOUSLY ILL.

First Reports of Her Condition Are Denied.

Amerongen, ec. 24.—(Delayed).—The condition of the former Kaiserin is not serious, despite reports to the contrary from Berlin, according to a statement issued at Count Von Bentinck's castle today.

### WILSON URGED TO SAVE DAY FOR HUMANITY

Roman Rolland, French Author, Makes Appeal to American President.

### MUST BREAK FATALISM

Materialistic Viewpoint Is Given as Cause of World War.

(By Universal Service.)

Zurich, Dec. 24.—The occasion of the day throughout Switzerland is an open letter by Romain Rolland, author of the famous "Jean-Christophe," for which he received the Grand Prix of the French Academy in 1915, has been living in Switzerland since the early part of the war, a "voluntary exile," as he calls himself.

The celebrated French novelist, who said, "Everything that is unjust is my enemy; wherever liberty is violated, there is my country," addressed his open letter to the American President in the Paris Socialist newspaper Le Populaire, but so far as is known here no news of it, so far as is known passed by the French censor for publication in the Paris paper, has yet been sent to America. Here is the text:

"Mr. President: The peoples are breaking their chains. The hour that you foresaw, the hour which you willed, has struck. May it not have struck in vain!"

"From one end of Europe to the other there is rising among the nations the will to reconquer the determination of their destinies and to unite for the sake of a regenerated Europe. Beyond their political boundaries their hands are groping, groping for the clasp of brotherhood."

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### BELGIAN SUITE FOR PRESIDENT

Seven Rooms in Buckingham Palace Assigned to Mr. and Mrs. Wilson.

London, Dec. 24.—The suite which President and Mrs. Wilson will occupy at Buckingham Palace is known as the "Belgian suite."

It is so called because it was occupied by King Leopold, of Belgium, when the latter visited Queen Victoria.

The suite comprises seven principal rooms, all on the same floor, and in easy communication with each other. It is located slightly to the right of the palace entrance and is in proximity to the King's and Queen's suite. It commands a view of the gardens on the west side of the palace.

### Castle Beautifully Furnished.

Though the palace is not at its best, on account of air raids necessitating the removal of the more valuable art pieces and antiques, it is excellently furnished and replete with comforts and conveniences.

The dining-room, which will be used for private meals, is called the "Carnarvon room." It is handsomely furnished. Adjoining it is the sitting-room, known as the "Eighteenth Century Room," on account of its eighteenth century paintings, which include a number of Van Der Meulen's. There are remarkable Buhl cabinets on each side of the fireplace.

### Pink Room For Business.

Near the sitting room is the "Orleans Room," which takes its name from the pictures of the Orleans family which adorn the walls. This can be used as a bedroom. The "Spanish Room," nearby, is used as a dressing room. Close by are two bath rooms. Beyond these is the "Pink Room," so called because of the color of its rich upholstery. It is intended to place this room at the President's disposal, either at his dressing or writing room. It is a huge apartment, in which he could receive business visitors. The writing table and other furniture consist of choice sandalwood. Steps lead from this room into

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### MERRIEST XMAS IN FOUR YEARS ARRIVES HERE

Glad Cheer and Good Will to Feature Yuletide Celebrations.

### STRANGERS WELCOME

Events Include Christmas Tree from Mt. Vernon in Rotunda of Capitol.

"Merry Christmas"

Washington and the world woke this morning to the happiest Christmas in four years, for Santa Claus had left peace in each Christmas stocking and as big a bundle of goodwill as each individual stocking could hold.

Despite the failure of the weatherman to send "Christmassy" weather, according to his promise, the city will celebrate with a heartfelt joy, unknown during the troublous years since 1814 when Wilhelm of Hohenzollern usurped old Santa Claus' throne and attempted to prove the genial saint a fairy myth by substituting war for peace on earth.

### Home Christmas for Heroes.

It will be a home Christmas. Hundreds of young men in khaki will eat Christmas dinner by their own fireside, the center of admiring relatives who will hang on each word, that drops from their lips; drink tales of the trenches that would leave Guy Empey and Pat O'Brien pale with envy.

For those away from home the city has arranged community trees, community sings and community Christmas dinners, where the stranger can meet people from his home State and celebrate together. There will be some place to go for everyone in Washington and the biggest kind of welcome for everyone.

The most Christmassy celebration will be the tree and party in the rotunda of the Capitol, given by local soldiers for the kiddies of men everywhere this afternoon. The tree comes from the estate of George Washington at Mt. Vernon, and the presents for the children will come from the Red Cross Chapter in Washington, which will have charge of the party.

### Secretary Baker Will Speak.

Men in khaki will act as Santa Claus' special assistants in distributing the gifts of candy and toys to the youngsters, and Secretary Baker has agreed to address the mothers and

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### This 'Girl' Celebrates 100th Xmas

Mrs. Eliza Bruce to Bow Before City's Oldest Yuletide Tree.

She is just a bit of a woman and she has celebrated ninety-nine Christmas Days, but today will be the happiest of them all. She is Mrs. Eliza Bruce, 835 S. street northwest, and today is her 100th birthday anniversary.

This morning Mrs. Bruce is going to have a Christmas tree and a giant cake with 100 candles, all decked out in silver and gold. In the evening from 5 to 7 o'clock she will receive her hundreds of friends.

With hair like snow and face sweetened with age, this little old lady sat by the window all day yesterday singing snatches from old love ballads, and reciting sentimental poems that the boys of long ago were wont to woo with.

### Like a Picture.

Looking for all the world like a court lady of the days of long past, one might have thought her an extremely life-like painting, except for the fact that from time to time through the window at her friend's she returned the smiling greetings and bows of her friends as they passed by.

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## Christmas in New York

At Mrs. Vanderbilt's—Who Is Too Busy with Preparations in Her Mansion of "Gold" and with "Loads of Toys" to Speak to a Reporter.

New York, Dec. 24.—It will be a very merry Christmas in the castle of W. K. Vanderbilt, Jr., at 666 Fifth avenue.

Preparations for the joyous celebration were in full swing today. Big vans backed up to the imposing entrances of the mansion, unloading quantities of flowers, evergreens, tiny Christmas trees, holly, gifts, edible Yuletide delicacies and everything else that goes to make this a happy time of year.

A small army of servants was engaged in getting things ready. Many of them were at work in the vast

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At Mrs. Kirsch's—Who Proudly Tells a Reporter of Her Nine Children Who Will Not Get Any New Toys, But Are Well and Happy.

New York, Dec. 24.—It will be a very happy Christmas in the cold, dark tenement of Mrs. Katherine Kirsch, one flight up, 234 East 120th street—according to Mrs. Kirsch.

Preparations for the celebration were progressing today. Being 34, stayed home to get the eight young children ready for the event. She said she thought she'd get them all washed and bathed before evening, as she would not be bothered with stopping to get lunch or dinner, there being nothing to get, and no fire to get it with.

Each of the small army of youngsters had found some old toy, badly

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